

## LOCAL MENTION.

**AMUSEMENTS TONIGHT.**  
Chase's—"The Masquerade" 8:15 p. m.  
Columbia-Columbia Picture Company, Inc.  
"Coke," 8:15 p. m.  
Kernan's—"Fads and Follies Burlesquers,"  
8:15 p. m.  
Lafayette-The Giffen Company in "The  
Girl from Paris," 8:15 p. m.  
Cabin John Bridge-Haley's Band.  
Chevy Chase-Lake-Concert by Marine  
Band and dancing.  
For amusements see page 32.

## EXCURSIONS TOMORROW.

Steamer Pentz for River View at 11 a. m.,  
2:45 and 6:15 p. m.  
Steamer Norfolk for Fortress Monroe and  
Norfolk at 6:30 p. m.  
Steamer Macalester for Marshall Hall at  
11 a. m., 2:30 and 6:30 p. m.  
Weeks line for Baltimore and river land-  
ings at 7 p. m.  
Randall line for landings to Colonial  
Beach and Madox creek at 7 a. m.  
Steamer Harry Randall for Colonial Beach  
at 8 a. m.  
Leave District line station for  
Chesapeake Beach at 9:15, 10:30, 11:30 a. m.,  
1:25, 2:30, 3:40, 5:35, 7:30 and 9 p. m.

**There's No Finer Medicinal Whiskey**  
than "Finex" Rye. It's a whiskey of un-  
questionable purity and guaranteed 8  
years old. Only 41 full quart. Write or  
phone CHAS. KRAEMER, 735 7th st.

**Cottage Lamps-Lanterns.**  
Blue Flame Oil Stoves, THE BEST.  
616 12 st. C. A. Muddiman & Co. 1294 G st.

**Everybody Buys Lumber From Libbey**  
& Co. Prompt delivery. 6th and N. Y. ave.

For best Photos, Kemethy's, 1109 Pa. ave.

**Merchants & Miners Trans. Co.**  
"Queen of Summer Trips."  
Boston and Providence.  
"By Sea."  
Steamer from Baltimore and Norfolk  
daily at 8 a. m. Send for tour book.  
Tickets on sale Baltimore and Ohio, Penn-  
sylvania railroad offices.  
W. P. TURNER, G. P. A.,  
Baltimore, Md.

**Gas and Oil Stoves and Ranges.**  
Prices reduced. John Moran, 2129 Pa. ave.  
n.w., 1146 Conn. ave. n.w.

Our facilities for scouring and dyeing are  
unsurpassed. A. F. Bornt & Bro., 116 G st.

**Low Lumber Prices Talk—\$1.75**  
Flooring, one width; kiln dried; bright.  
LIBBEY & CO., Phone East 849.

**Boone's Ice Cream.**  
Orders rec'd at downtown branch, 720 9th.

**Engel Brothers Company.**  
Prime New York Rib Roast, 12c. to 15c.

**Blue Flame Oil Cooking Stoves, Wick**  
and Wickless. A. Eberly's Sons, 715 7th n.w.

**For Iced Tea.**  
Use Kenny's Cheon,  
The Best Ice, Mixed Tea in America.  
C. D. KENNY CO., 8 City Stores.

**John R. Kelly, New York Beef Best.**  
Riggs Market, open every day.

**The Finest, Best Boards Made (Wide).**  
All one width, one length, \$1.65 per 100 sq.  
feet. F. Libbey & Co., 6th and N. Y. ave.

Send your evening gown to be cleaned.  
A. F. Bornt & Bro., 1108 G st.

**Fireworks! J. Jay Gould, 421 9th st.**

**Rusterholz Cookies for Picnics and**  
lunches are delightful. Ask your grocer for  
them. Distributing depot, Spicer's, 938 La.  
ave.

**Reduced to \$8,000.00.**  
2329-2471 18th st., Washington Heights; 10  
rooms; 2 baths. Must be sold before July 1.  
Open Sunday.  
Lieberman & Hawn, 1303 F st.

**\$40,000 in Hand**  
To loan on Washington real estate at 4 1/2  
and 5% in sums to suit; commission 15%.  
Lieberman & Hawn, 1303 F st.

**Millennial Dawn Discourse.**  
The "Kingdom of God," how originally  
established in the earth, lost through sin,  
and to be restored by Christ and His  
next church during the millennium; given  
Sunday afternoon, 2:30 o'clock, Hall 3th  
and G st. n.w. Seats free. No collections.

**Do You Realize**  
That stragulation can be your misfortune  
at any moment if not wearing a perfectly  
adjusted trust suit, your requirements,  
Trusses, obesity belts, orthopedic ap-  
paratus, elastic hosiery, rubber goods, etc.,  
written by Dr. Fisher's, 625 7th st. n.w.  
Lady attendant.

**Elegant Corner Home.**  
Price reduced on that handsome new 8-  
room and bath residence corner 10th and C  
streets northeast. Open Sunday. Lieber-  
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## CITY AND DISTRICT.

**Boys' Summer Outing.**  
A number of young men and boys will  
leave here tomorrow night under the care  
of Mr. Geo. H. Sessler of the Emerson In-  
stitute to join their friends from different  
parts of New England at "Camp Kineo for  
Boys" on Long Lake, Maine. The party  
consists of Mr. Sessler, Mr. Roseboro, Mr.  
Wimer and Messrs. Geyer, J. Brodus, L.  
Cunningham, H. Garnett, B. Smith, S.  
Dougherty, J. Buchanan, J. Munroe, J. Little  
and the Messrs. Smoot.

The boys will go in this city to New  
York, where they will take a boat for Port-  
land, from Portland the party will go to  
Harrison, which is near the camp.

**Hats Off to Dement & Padgett,**  
the reliable grocers of 84 and H n.w. Their  
grocery is the Mecca of pure foods. The  
fact that Elk Grove Creamery Pasteurized  
Butter is sold and indorsed by them is in-  
disputable proof of its fitness.—Advt.

**When Ordering Bridal Carriages**  
Remember the finest turnouts are hired  
very reasonably at Downey's, 1622-28 L-  
Advertisement.

**The Mississippi Catfish.**  
The good result of stocking the river  
with the large spotted or Mississippi river  
catfish is shown by the large quantities  
now being caught in the river. Off the  
banks here the fish weigh from 10 to 20  
pounds, and catches of fish weighing as high  
as five pounds are not uncommon.  
When hooked these fish make a hot fight  
for liberty. Fish weighing twenty pounds  
are being caught in the river nets, but in  
the Mississippi, it is stated, they often  
weigh three or four hundred pounds.

**\$3.50 Special Daylight Excursion \$3.50**  
—via superb Norfolk and Washington  
steamer "Newport News" July 4 to "Old  
Point" and Norfolk, from foot 7th st., at 9  
a. m.; \$3.50 for round trip. Tickets good  
to return leaving Norfolk and "Old Point"  
on special steamer or on regular steamer up  
to and including 6th. Meals and state  
rooms at regular rates. For state room  
reservations phone 2230 or 730.—Advt.

**Postage Required for Mailing The Star.**  
14 pages or less.....1 cent.  
15 to 28 pages.....2 cents.  
29 to 32 pages.....3 cents.  
Saturday's Star mailed from the  
office, postage prepaid, \$1.00 a year.  
Foreign postage 1 cent for each two  
pages.

## RECEIPTS FOR TAXES.

**CHANGE IN METHODS OF SIGN-  
ING SAME.**

**Commissioner West Orders New Sys-  
tem for Better Identification of  
Officials Receiving Money.**

Commissioner West, who has supervision  
of the tax and assessment offices, has or-  
dered a change in the manner of signing  
receipts for taxes. Heretofore the receipts  
have simply been stamped with the name  
of Mr. G. G. Davis, collector, with the  
initials of the cashier or clerk re-  
ceiving the money. There has been some  
criticism of this system, as it was claimed  
that in the event of a contest it would be  
difficult to establish the identity of the  
person receiving the money, especially as  
his official position is not stated in any  
way. Mr. A. B. Duvall, the corporation  
tax collector, has an opinion in regard to  
the matter some time ago, holding that the  
form of the receipts was good in law. Com-  
missioner West, however, has deemed it  
wise to order a change, which will do  
away with the collector's name and the  
receipts completely explicit. He has ad-  
dressed a letter to the collector of taxes,  
Mr. Davis, on the subject, saying:  
"It seems to me that the receipt as to the  
character of the tax receipts could be  
avoided by having a series of stamps made  
bearing your name as collector, with the  
line following on which the name of the  
official receiving the money can be written,  
and underneath his title, whether deputy  
collector, cashier, or other official. The  
same stamp might also include the date.  
This system would not increase the labors  
of your clerks, and would secure iden-  
tification should the receipt be questioned at  
any time in the future. There should also  
be a question that the official who signs his  
name should have ample authority for doing  
so."

The matter of a change in the form of  
signing tax receipts was brought before  
the Commissioners more than a year ago  
by Mr. Thomas W. Gilmer. The matter  
was referred to the Commissioners, with the  
corporation counsel, who submitted an  
opinion in which he said:  
"The collector states that every receipt  
for taxes is signed by the collector, with an  
official stamp, stating the fact and time of  
payment, and in addition thereto the clerk  
handing the bill after payment also stamps  
the collector's name and then adds the in-  
itials of his own name by way of identifica-  
tion. There is no statute providing the form  
of the receipt, and in the present case the  
form of the receipt is not questioned. It is  
therefore, in whatever form it may be  
given stands on the same footing as the re-  
ceipt of the collector. The question of  
questioned similar proof would have to  
be made. I am of the opinion that the  
above described receipt of the collector of  
taxes is good and sufficient in law and not  
defective in form."

**Matter Again Brought Up.**  
Mr. Gilmer recently called the Commis-  
sioners' attention again to the matter. His  
communication followed the Watson com-  
mencement, which called forth a good deal  
of criticism. In reply to his letter Mr. Gil-  
mer furnished with a copy of the corpo-  
ration counsel's opinion of the corporation counsel.  
Last Wednesday Mr. Gilmer again ad-  
dressed a letter to the Commissioners ask-  
ing them to order a change in the present  
form of receipt, said Mr. Gilmer, "could  
easily be denied, and there would be no  
need to hold the collector except the initials  
of an irresponsible official. These initials  
are often illegible. In case of a contest it  
would be almost impossible for the tax pay-  
er to prove that he paid over the money. There-  
fore, I ask you to direct tax receipts to be  
evidenced by the autograph signature of  
the collector or deputy collector, the sur-  
name to be written in full, and the official  
title of the person signing to be stated on  
the receipt. Mr. Duvall says that 'there is  
no statute providing the form of the receipt.'  
Some things are called for by statute, but  
it is not a question of law; it is only a  
question of common sense."

In reply to this last communication Com-  
missioner West wrote Mr. Gilmer, saying  
that a copy of his communication to the  
collector suggesting a change in the method  
of signature. Mr. West had already taken  
this action, and on the other hand a letter  
reached the District building, showing that  
Mr. West had decided to improve the form  
of tax receipts notwithstanding the coun-  
sel's opinion.

**Burnett's Vanilla Extract is the fixed**  
standard of excellence. It has outlived crit-  
icism. It is the finest and purest vanilla  
extract that can be bought.—Advt.

**Anacostia and Vicinity.**  
The course of the electric light wires that  
are to pass through the streets of Anacostia  
in order to convey light to the outlying  
sections has been changed, it is stated.  
The poles will be erected along Railroad  
avenue, and the wires will then be run a  
considerable distance beyond will then be  
brought to Nichols avenue, at a place  
where no trees are planted. Objection was  
made to the plan, as the wires where there  
were shade trees planted.

C. H. Payne of West Virginia, recently  
arrived in the District of Columbia, and  
was taken to St. Thomas, Danish West  
Indies, has been the guest of William T. McKin-  
ney of Howard avenue, Anacostia. Mr.  
McKinney held a reception in honor of  
Mr. Payne, a large number of people at-  
tending.

**\$41.75 to Denver and Return via**  
Pennsylvania Railroad. On account of the  
National Education Association, tickets sold July 3  
to August 31, 1903, at rate of \$41.75  
for the round trip.—Advt.

**Draw Interest on Your Money.**  
Banking department of Union Trust and  
Storage Co., 1414 F st. n.w., pays interest  
on deposits subject to check at will.—Advt.

**Patent Appeals.**  
In the case of Frederick I. Allen, com-  
missioner of patents, appellant, against the  
United States ex rel. the Board of Patent  
and Trademark Appeals, the Court of Appeals  
has reversed the judgment of the lower  
court, and remanded the cause with di-  
rection to dismiss the petition. The opin-  
ion was written by Mr. Justice Shepard.  
The appeal was by the commissioner of  
patents from a judgment ordering a writ  
of mandamus to issue to him commanding  
the registration of a label.

**\$1.25 To Baltimore and Return \$1.25**  
Via Pennsylvania Railroad. Tickets on sale  
Saturday and Sunday, June 27 and 28, im-  
mited for return passage to last train leav-  
ing Baltimore for Baltimore, Md., on  
all trains except Congressional Limited.—Advt.

**Money to lend at 4, 5 and 6 per cent on**  
real estate. Frank T. Rawlings, 1505 Pa. ave.  
—Advertisement.

**Potomac Council Elects Officers.**  
Potomac Council, No. 20, Jr. O. U. A. M.,  
held its regular meeting last evening, when  
the following officers were elected for the  
ensuing term: Junior past counselor, T. A.  
Garrison; counselor, G. W. Reynolds; rec-  
ording secretary, H. Summers; corresponding  
secretary, A. F. Tucker; assistant record-  
ing secretary, Edward A. Brown; treasurer,  
J. W. Milstead; conductor, T. M. Collins; warden,  
J. W. Arnett; inside sentinel, Ezra Troth;  
outside sentinel, J. E. Blackman; trustees  
for eighteen months, Charles H. Summers;  
representatives to State Council, Ed. A.  
Brown, J. W. Brown, and W. F. Taylor.  
Refreshments were served at the close of  
the meeting. Visitors from several coun-  
cils were present.

**Reduced Rates to Boston via Pennsylv-**  
ania Railroad. Account of meeting of First  
Church of Christ, Scientists, at Boston, tickets  
will be sold June 26, 27, 28 and 29, im-  
mited to July 2, at rate of one fare for the  
round trip, plus 10c for route used, plus  
10c. For information as to how to apply for  
tickets, see ticket agents.—Advt.

**Small's Flowers.**  
J. H. Small & Sons, 14th and G. Washing-  
ton, Waldorf-Astoria and 1153 B d'wy., N. Y.  
—Advertisement.

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## WANTS TO USE DYNAMITE.

**Method of Removing Tree Stumps**  
From Railway Property.

Charles E. Stewart of 3d and E streets  
northeast has asked permission of the Com-  
missioners to use dynamite in blowing up  
tree stumps on the lot bounded by Brent-  
wood road, Florida avenue, Quincy street  
and Eckington Heights, the property of  
the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company.  
This will be granted provided every pre-  
caution is taken in the work.

W. J. Douglas, engineer of bridges, has  
reported that there were about 200 oak  
trees about eighteen inches in diameter to  
be blasted, each of which will require  
heavy charges of dynamite. "On ac-  
count," says he, "of the houses in the  
vicinity of the lot I recommend that the  
applicant be required to deposit \$100 with  
the collector of taxes to defray the ex-  
pense of a District inspector on the work,  
and that the permit incorporate the para-  
graphs of the ordinance relating to the use  
of dynamite."  
"That not more than the necessary quan-  
tity of explosives for one day is to be al-  
lowed on the lot, and that all explosives be  
kept under lock and key or shanty at least  
150 feet from a tenanted house, or the rail-  
road track, and that said box or shanty  
be plainly marked with the words 'Explosives',  
and that no tools be kept in the same.  
That all explosives be separated from the  
explosives at least fifty feet. That all  
blasts be fired only after having given the  
public proper warning. That no holes be  
loaded or fired without the presence of a  
District inspector, and should the aforesaid  
deposit be exhausted, the applicant shall  
make such additional deposit as the Com-  
missioners deem sufficient to cover the cost  
of inspection for the remainder of this  
work."

**Things You'll Like to Eat.**  
At C. H. Berkeley's, 11th and N. w. n. w.,  
you'll get foods that are best and most  
pleasing. The convincing argument as to  
the goodness of Creamy Butter is that  
it is in having this leading  
grocer sell and indorse it.—Advt.

**Acquitted on Both Charges.**  
James C. Godfrey, proprietor of a re-  
sort near Chesapeake Junction, was ar-  
raigned before Justice Carr, at Hyatts-  
ville, yesterday on two warrants sworn  
out by S. H. Smallwood. One information  
charged that Godfrey sold a half pint of  
whisky to Smallwood Sunday, June 21, and  
the other warrant charged the defendant  
with operating a sweat game on the same  
date.

William D. Kennedy and Herbert Free-  
man also appeared as witnesses for the  
prosecution. The witnesses for the de-  
fense were Bertie Holmes and William  
C. Rogers.

A bottle of whisky was produced in court  
as evidence, but conflicting testimony re-  
garding the alleged purchase of the liquor  
was given by the witnesses for the pro-  
secution.

There was an error made in drawing the  
warrant charging violation of the gam-  
bling law, in that the defendant was  
charged with operating a "sweat game"  
instead of a "sweet cloth."

Some things called for by statute, but  
it is not a question of law; it is only a  
question of common sense.

**One Fare to Detroit and Return**  
via B. & O. R.R., account Epworth League  
International Convention. Tickets sold July  
14 and 15. May be extended to return as  
late as August 15. See agents for further  
information.—Advt.

**Remember to say—Elk Grove Butter—Ad.**

**Choir Given a Collection.**  
The choir of the Asbury Church, Prof. J.  
Henry Lewis, director, was tendered a col-  
lection by the congregation Thursday even-  
ing at the residence of Mrs. Estelle V. Jar-  
vis, who is the choir organist. The exer-  
cises embraced selections by the choir, in-  
cluding a solo by Miss Bessie Hamilton. Re-  
marks were made by Messrs. Wm. H. John-  
son and J. H. Harris, representing the  
choir, and a letter was read from Mr.  
Chas. E. Sprague, secretary of the official  
board. A fitting response was made by  
Prof. Lewis, who also, in behalf of the  
choir, presented Mr. J. H. Johnson, bar-  
itone soloist, and on the other hand a re-  
sponse of the choir, with a purse containing \$15.00  
in token of appreciation of his services.  
Refreshments were served by a local car-  
ter.

**Grand Concert by U. S. Marine Band**  
at beautiful Chevy Chase Lake this even-  
ing and Sunday, beginning at 7:30. Dancing  
in pavilion this evening from 9 until 11.—  
Advertisement.

**Special Rates at Old Point Comfort.**  
The management of Hotel Chamberlin,  
Old Point Comfort, announces special sum-  
mer rates of \$3 day up. One night by  
steamer. Booking office, Bond building.—  
Advertisement.

**Test Was Satisfactory.**  
A dock trial of the boiler and engine of  
the torpedo boat Tingle was made Thursday  
in the shipyard of the Baltimore Shipbuilding  
Company's plant and was satisfactory  
to her builders. A running test of forty-  
eight hours' duration was also made re-  
cently of the electric lighting plant of the  
vessel, which was satisfactory to the en-  
gineers' speed trial of the ship will be made  
next week over the government's course in  
Chesapeake bay. The ship is now up to  
standard, she will be presented for her  
official acceptance trials at the hands of the  
naval authorities.

**Very Low Rates to Denver and Return**  
via B. & O. R.R., account Christian En-  
dowment Association. Tickets sold July 3  
to August 31, 1903, at rate of \$41.75 for the  
round trip.—Advt.

**Driver and Team Injured.**  
A pair of horses attached to a lumber  
wagon owned by Herrell Bros. of 1311 11th  
street southeast ran away in Southeast  
Washington yesterday afternoon. The re-  
fracture was stopped by coming in contact  
with a building. The driver and team were  
injured and the horses were bruised slightly.

**Brainy Men**  
Take Horsford's Acid Phosphate. It in-  
creases capacity for concentrated brain  
work. As a tonic in run-down condition it  
is remarkably beneficial.—Advt.

**Died From Effect of Injuries.**  
Richard Egan, the young man who was  
seriously injured Tuesday afternoon while  
tearing down a house in Jackson alley, as  
stated in The Star at the time, died at the  
Emergency Hospital last night. He re-  
ceived a fractured skull, a fractured leg and  
internal injuries. His body was moved to  
the morgue. Coroner Nevitt in-